

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

5 A disposable absorbent article having a generally liquid permeable  
liner, an outer cover and an absorbent body between the liner and outer cover  
for absorbing liquid body waste penetrating the liner. In one embodiment, the  
absorbent body has a first zone and a second zone, with the first zone having  
a lower absorbent capacity per unit weight than the second zone and being  
capable of facilitating the flow of liquid body waste from the first zone back  
through the liner. In another embodiment, the absorbent body comprises a  
mixture of hydrophilic fibers and superabsorbent material. The mixture has a  
10 concentration of superabsorbent material of between about one percent and  
about fifteen percent by weight of the mixture to facilitate the flow of liquid  
body waste from the absorbent body back through the liner.